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	First Named Inventor	TATSUTA
	Original Patent Number	5,943,448
	Original Patent Issue Date (Month/Day/Year)	08/24/99
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**APPLICATION FOR REISSUE OF:**  Utility Patent  Design Patent  Plant Patent  
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(A) 24	Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))	(B) 29	**** 5 =	x \$ _____ =		or	x \$ 18 = 90
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	(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(3) Extra Claims Present	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity	
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## Name of Patentee(s)

Olympus Optical Co., Ltd.

## Patent Number

5,943,448

## Date Patent Issued

Aug. 24, 1999

Title of Invention INFORMATION REPRODUCING SYSTEM, INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, AND INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS

1.  Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)
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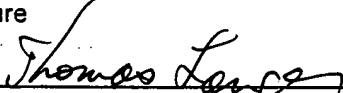
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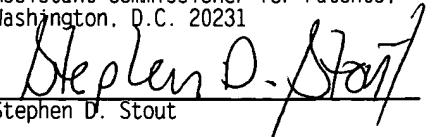
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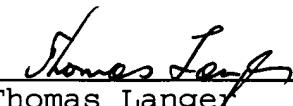
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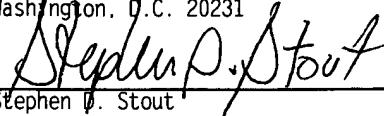
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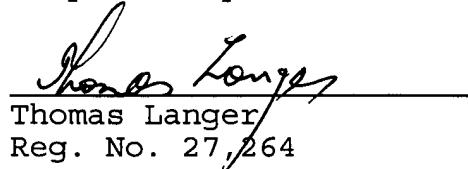
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